C DICJ Photographs relating to Horsley, Smith & Co., Ltd. and its subsidiary, Hewetsons c.1950s-1960s

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Historical Background: Established by Joseph Henry Horsley and Alexander Smith, they leased land and offices from the Hull Dock Company at Queen's Dock in 1871 and later Victoria Dock from 1873. They imported all kinds of timber for the building trade and ship building, contuning to expand their premises by leasing more land in 1891.

In 1901 the business was sold for £160,000 to became a limited company. The company specialised in softwood and during the 1930s did a lot of trade with Russia. They acquired J.A. Hewetson and Co. Ltd. as a subsidiary in 1903, who diversified into hardwood flooring in the 1920s, which became Hewetsons main business.

In 1964 Horlsey changed its name to Horsley Smith Group Ltd. In 1968 it mereged with Jewson and Sons Ltd. to become Horsley, Smith and Jewson Ltd. and in 1969 the last remaining timber stocks were cleared from Victoria Dock after almost one hundred years on the site.

Custodial history: Deposited by a J.E. Chashley

Description: Black and white photographs showing premises of Horsley, Smith & Co., Ltd., associated mills and yards together with premises of Hewetsons and completed work undertaken by Hewestons and Horsley

Extent: 16 items/0.06 linear meters

Related material: Records relating to Horsley, Smith and Co. Ltd. (1871-1968) are available at U DHS held in the University of Hull archives at the Hull History Centre, while records relating to J. A. Hewetson & Co Ltd. of Dansom Lane and Marfleet, Hull, Timber Merchants and flooring contractors (1930-1970) can be found at C DBJH.

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C DICJ/1	Aerial view showing dock storage, offices and mills of Horsley, Smith & Company Ltd., Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s
C DICJ/2	The Coronation Shed for timber storage, Victoria Dock, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s

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C DICJ/3	Road and rail access provided inside the Coronation Shed, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/4	Straddle Carrier of Horsley, Smith & Co. Ltd. operating between docks and mills in Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/5	Abbey Mills, Hull dispatch bay. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/6	Abbey Mills modern grinding shop for cutter heads and moulding irons. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/7	Abbey Mills showing two employees with one of two new wadkin moulding machines with high speed spindles. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/8	Abbey Mills, Hull showing the sawing section of the main mills with straddle carriers servicing the saws. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/9	Baltic Mill showing plywood, door and wallboard stocks. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/10	Members of the Duke of Edinburgh's Study Conference visit to Horsley, Smith & Company Ltd., Hull, July 1956. Black and white photograph 1 item	Jul 1956		
C DICJ/11	Small brick building with Horsley, Smith & Co. Ltd. above the premises. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		

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C DICJ/12	Showing Bowaters roof insulation 'exposed tee system' by Horsley, Smith & Co. Ltd., for G.C. Taylor & Son, Jute Works, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/13	Showing 'Celotex' highlight roof lining by Horsley, Smith & Co. Ltd., for Portobello Methodist Church Hall, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/14	Showing semastic decorative tile floor, by Hewestons, for Messrs. Edwin Davis & Company, Ltd's store, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/15	The offices of J.A. Hewetson & Company Ltd., Marfleet, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		
C DICJ/16	Hewetsons flooring mill, Marfleet, Hull. Black and white photograph 1 item	c.1950s-1960s		